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## Sketch of Life of Henry Knabe, Nehawka Pioneer

### One of Last of Sturdy Men and Women That Helped Build Up That Portion of County.

Henry J. Knabe, second of four children of John C. and Anna Knabe was born 2 1/2 miles northwest of Nehawka, Nebraska, May 7, 1861 and passed away at the Otoe hospital, Thursday, July 6, 1939 at the age of 78 years, 1 month and 29 days.

Mr. Knabe was one of the oldest pioneers of Cass county. He was born in a log house now occupied by a



HENRY J. KNABE

nephew, Harry M. Knabe. He was educated in the public school of this community and in 1877 was confirmed into the Evangelical Lutheran church. He remained faithful to the end of this church.

He bought a farm home and on January 29, 1887 the playmate of his childhood and sweetheart of his youth, Louisa Heebner became his bride.

The young couple moved at once to the home which they occupied to the end, the wife preceding the husband in death, passing away October 19, 1932. To them were born two sons and one daughter, the infant son preceding them in death.

Surviving him Mr. Knabe leaves a son, Edward J., and one daughter, Florence Lorena at home, one brother, John C. of Lincoln, 15 nephews and nieces together with other relatives and many friends.

He was one of the last of the pioneers to answer the summons. He was a man who enjoyed visiting with neighbors and friends, recalling the adventures of pioneer days. To those who knew him he was considered a kind neighbor and friend, given to hospitality. When sickness or death came into neighboring homes, he graciously ministered to them in need and today we remember Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

Throughout the years he remained true to the religious convictions of his childhood days. To him the sabbath was always a holy day and since the disbandment of his church he has consistently supported the other churches of his community.

"Why weep ye then for him, who having won the bounds of man's appointed years at last, Life's blessings all enjoyed, Life's labors done, Serenely to his final rest has passed While the soft memory of his virtue, yet, Lingers like twilight hues, when the bright sun is set."

Funeral services were held for Henry J. Knabe, aged 78 years, at the home on Sunday afternoon, July 9th at 2:30 o'clock with the Rev. W. D. Lenker of the M. E. church officiating. Rev. Van Buren of Lincoln, a former Nehawka pastor of the M. E. church offered prayer. A quartette, Mrs. John Hansen, Mrs. E. A. Nutzman, Albert Anderson and Verner Lundberg sang two songs, "Abide With Me" and "Rock of Ages." Mrs. John Hansen sang a solo, "We'll Never Say Goodbye." Mrs. H. L. Kuntz accompanied at the organ.

Pall bearers were John Hansen, J. H. Steffens, E. A. Nutzman, Clarence Hansen, W. J. Wunderlich and M. N. Tucker. Honorary pall bearers

were Olaf Lundberg, R. H. Ingwerson, C. West, J. S. Rough, Henry Wessel, Silas Munn, Fred Heebner, Ernest Ahrens, E. G. Hansen, F. A. Hansen, H. P. Sturm and A. F. Sturm.

Mrs. Vilas Sheldon and Mrs. Walter Wunderlich had charge of the many beautiful floral offerings. As the procession left the home the pall bearers, honorary pall bearers and six ladies holding sprays of flowers formed two lines making a path for the procession. The ladies assisting were Mesdames Harold Dodson, George Pollard, Leo Switzer, F. C. Schomaker, Elmer Stoll and Albert Anderson. Burial was in the St. John's cemetery northwest of Nehawka.

Among the many out of town relatives attending the services were Mr. and Mrs. John Knabe and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Behrens of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knabe, Mrs. Lena Betts and Miss Synthia and Conrad Mullis of Nebraska City; Mr. and Mrs. William Schroeder of Syracuse, Mr. and Mrs. John Behrens and family of Elmwood; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Westlake and family of Eagle; Mrs. George Heebner and son, William of Avoca; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Murdock and sons, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Markland, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lorenson and Mr. and Mrs. John Heebner and family of Weeping Water; Henry Heebner of Murray. A host of friends attended from Nehawka and surrounding towns.

### An Appreciation

We wish to extend sincere thanks and appreciation to those who brought comfort to us at the time of the death of our dear father, for the beautiful floral offerings and for all words and deeds of kindness during our bereavement. — Florence L. Knabe, Edward J. Knabe.

### DEPART FOR VACATION

From Monday's Daily—  
Dr. and Mrs. H. G. McClusky departed this morning for a vacation of several weeks in the east and which will take them through a very interesting part of the nation from the middle states through beautiful Virginia and Washington to the world's fair at New York City.

The Plattsmouth party will go from here to Pataskia, Ohio, where they are to visit at the home of relatives of Mrs. McClusky for a short time before they turn southward into the heart of old Virginia. They are to make a stop at Lynchburg, Virginia, visit the natural bridge and other of the many places of interest in the Shenandoah valley, so filled with the history of our country.

They go to Washington to view the beauties of the national capital city and to enjoy seeing the lawmakers of the nation in session. Later they will go to New York and the exposition and also expect to visit at Rochester, New York. On their homeward swing they are stopping at Lodi, Wisconsin, at the home of Miss Ruth Lindsay and family and at Kankakee, Illinois, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Minor, who were for many years active in the work of the local Presbyterian church.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish we were able to personally thank each one who so lovingly and generously helped us in our great sorrow, but that is impossible, so we take this means of extending our heartfelt thanks to all, for the kind words and deeds and beautiful flowers, to the memory of our dear husband, father, son and brother.

May He who doeth all things well, bestow His richest blessing upon you all, is the heartfelt wish of Mrs. Oscar D. Gopen and children, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gopen and family.

### HERE FROM NEVADA

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and son, Donald of Fernley, Nevada arrived in Plattsmouth Sunday and visited here with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Olson and Mr. and Mrs. Winford Dasher, the three ladies all being sisters. They also visited in Louisville with Mr. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Baker. The Nevada couple and son left Monday for Springfield, Nebraska where they will spend some time visiting Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Anson and other relatives before returning to their home in Nevada.

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## Ask \$47,594 in Damages for Frederick Death

### Action Filed in Otoe County Against the Missouri Pacific Transportation Company.

Monday afternoon in the district court at Nebraska City, suit against the Missouri Pacific Transportation Co., for damages in the sum of \$47,594, was filed by Mrs. Claire M. Frederick, of Nebraska City, mother of Herman Frederick, who died Saturday morning from the effects of injuries received in a bus-car crash in the south part of the city on Monday night, July 3rd.

The action was brought by Mrs. Frederick as the special administrator of the estate of her son, with Lloyd E. Peterson as the attorney for the plaintiff.

### Speed is Charged

Charging that the bus, driven by O. T. Cheney, was traveling "in excess of 65 miles an hour," and swerved across U. S. 75 into Frederick's automobile, Mrs. Frederick asked \$10,000 for pain and anguish suffered by her son after the crash until his death.

She also asked \$844.20 damages for her son's car, which she asserted was made valueless in the crash.

In the third cause of action, Mrs. Frederick charged that her son's death was due to the alleged negligence of the driver, and stated that her son had contributed money to the support of his parents. She asked \$35,000 damages for the loss of this support through Herman's death and recovery of \$1,250 for hospital and medical care and \$500 funeral expenses.

### Severe Injuries

The petition said that Frederick suffered a skull fracture, a laceration on his throat which injured blood vessels, nerves and muscles; a crushed left arm, a broken right leg, and numerous lacerations and bruises over his body.

### HOLD SWIMMING PARTY

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The Plattsmouth Junior Woman's club held a social meeting last evening at Plamore park with a large group of the members present. The hostesses for the affair were Mrs. Charles Howard, who was unable to attend, and Miss Naomi Day.

The group all assembled at the Hotel Plattsmouth at 7 p. m. and six cars transported the members to the park. Upon their arrival at the park the young ladies enjoyed a swimming party and played a number of games for which prizes were awarded. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. William Nelson, Mrs. Charles Tunnell, Misses Anne Knieke, Gertrude Vallery, Edith Solomon, Alice Hiatt, and Florence Leamy.

Following the party a watermelon "feed" was enjoyed by those present.

### GO TO BLACK HILLS

From Monday's Daily—  
This morning Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Emery Doody, with their sons, Tom and Jimmie, departed for Omaha where they were joined by Mrs. Tom Lindley, a sister of Mr. Doody. They are going to the Black Hills for a visit with Fred and Frank Doody and will spend some time along the Dakota, Montana and Wyoming border country in recreation.

### RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Edward Gradoville, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gradoville, Sr., of this city, motored to Omaha Saturday and returned home with his father, who has been in the University hospital for the last ten days recovering from an operation for the removal of a cataract from his right eye. Mr. Gradoville is feeling very much improved following the operation.

### RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Henry J. Donat who has been at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha recuperating from the effects of an appendectomy, was able to return home Sunday and is now at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Donat, Sr., to spend a few days resting and recuperating from the effects of the ordeal that she has been through.

### LEAVE ON EXTENDED TRIP

From Monday's Daily—  
This morning a group of Plattsmouth ladies, Miss Wilhelmina Henrichsen, Miss Marie Nolting, and Misses Caroline and Estella Baird, departed on a very pleasant trip through the east. They are members of an Archer tour party over the Burlington and their route will include visits at New York City and the world's fair, Washington, D. C., to view the places of interest of the capital city, as well as a trip over into Canada and Michigan, touching a large number of places of interest before they return home.

## Plattsmouth Ladies Returning from Old World

### Miss Gerda and Alpha Peterson Find Finland a Wonderful and Progressive Country.

Miss Marie Kaufmann of this city received another interesting letter from the Misses Alpha and Gerda Peterson, this time the letter being dated from Helsinki, (commonly known in America as Helsingfors) Finland, this ancient city being the capital of Finland.

While in Finland the ladies were entertained at a real "Finnish Dinner" at the home of a lady friend, whom they had met on the Italian boat while en route to Europe. A group of invited guests, comprising Finland teachers, were also present at the dinner. An informal evening was spent at the home of the lady. Misses Alpha and Gerda Peterson are very much impressed with the country of Finland. They report that there is less smoking among the women and men in Finland than in any other country.

From Finland the ladies departed for Great Britain where they are visiting and at Belfast, Ireland. If their plans work out they intend to sail for home either from Glasgow July 14 or from Belfast on July 15, the exact location not being determined as yet. They anticipate landing in the good old United States the latter week of July.

### RETURNS FROM THE EAST

Mrs. Henry Herold returned home Saturday evening from several months spent in the east where she was a guest of her children and enjoyed the opportunity of visiting many places of interest in that part of the country.

She attended the marriage of her daughter, Miss Ursula Herold to Mr. James Roundtree and also was a guest of her son, Matthew Gering Herold, member of one of the largest legal firms in the city.

On her way west she had the pleasure of meeting a granddaughter of Mr. Doane, founder of Doane college at Crete, who was traveling west with her daughter to visit Crete and the college that their grandfather had established.

### PARENTS OF DAUGHTER

A 6 1/2 pound daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elburn Covert Saturday night at their home in this city. This is the first child born to them and the event comes as an extremely happy one. Mrs. Covert was formerly Miss Marjorie Spangler, and the little daughter is a granddaughter of Mr. William Spangler and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Covert, both residing in this city.

### SON BORN TO MURRAY COUPLE

Frederick Thomas Tilson, six-pound son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvadore Tilson of Murray, was born at the Methodist hospital Sunday morning at 12:58. The little one is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Terryberry of this city, and Mr. Thomas Tilson of Murray. This is the second grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Terryberry within the past three weeks.

### HERE FROM SEATTLE

Mrs. G. A. Gauthier, formerly Miss Elizabeth Hatt, and Mrs. Jack Hatt, formerly Miss Winifred Rainey, motored to Plattsmouth from Seattle and will spend some time visiting their many relatives and friends in and near this city.

## Dr. J. J. Stibal 15 Years in Practice in This City

### Well Known Chiropractor Has Established Well Equipped Clinic in Years of Residence Here.

Dr. J. J. Stibal is observing the fifteenth anniversary of his arrival in Plattsmouth and the establishment of his very successful chiropractor clinic where he has looked after the needs of his patients down through the years.

Dr. Stibal who was a graduate of the Nebraska Chiropractic college at Lincoln, and the National college of Chicago, located at Firth before coming to Plattsmouth and was very successful in his work there, but desiring a larger field he decided on Plattsmouth as the logical place for a future home and where he has since been located.

Coming to Plattsmouth Dr. Stibal opened a suite of offices in the Schmidtman building and where he has since very successfully carried on his work. Dr. Stibal not alone achieved success in his professional work but also found his wife from the Plattsmouth girls, Miss Freda Klinger, who has since assisted the Doctor in his business and professional career.

In addition to his work in his profession Dr. Stibal also has been identified with the business life of the community in the variety store of Golding & Stibal and in which Mrs. Stibal has been active in the handling of the business. The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Stibal will join in their congratulations on the anniversary and trust that the future years may be as kindly to them as the past has been.

### DISTRICT COURT NOTES

From Tuesday's Daily—  
This morning in the district court, Judge W. W. Wilson took up the matter of the hearing of the restraining order asked by the County of Cass against Joseph C. Wheeler, involving the right to quarry and remove rock from the land of Mr. Wheeler. The matter was dismissed by the county with prejudice and the costs taxed to the plaintiff county. It was agreed that the Pickens quarry move onto the land and operate the quarry that they had leased from Mr. Wheeler, and that the rock quarried and crushed by the county might be moved to accommodate the use of the quarry by the new lessees.

Judge Wilson also signed an order confirming the sales made of tax title property in the case of the City of Plattsmouth vs. Steel, held July 1.

### TO VISIT AT MINNEAPOLIS

Miss Marie Vallery, general clerk in the Ladies Toggery, left Sunday morning for Minneapolis, Minnesota where she anticipates spending a week visiting and vacationing. While there she will be a guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peterson, the former attending summer school in that state. She will also visit at Duluth, Minn., and other scenic spots before returning to Plattsmouth to resume her usual clerical duties next Monday.

### ATTEND FUNERAL SERVICES

Sunday afternoon County Register of Deeds Ray F. Becker and wife and John Bauer, and sister, Mrs. L. W. Egenberger, were at Nehawka where they were in attendance at the funeral of the late Henry Knabe, an old friend. The services were held at the Knabe home and the interment at the St. John's cemetery.

Others from Plattsmouth present were Mr. and Mrs. Julius Pitz, Mrs. C. L. Pittman, and Mrs. Almeda Fleming.

### CARL KUNSMAN IMPROVES

From Wednesday's Daily—  
Reports from the St. Catherine's hospital at noon today were to the effect that the condition of Carl Kunsman, who was rushed to Omaha Monday evening and operated on for strangulated hernia, was good. This morning his condition was quite severe but he has rallied and shows excellent progress toward recovery.

### WANTED TO BUY FOR CASH

I have a buyer for a one story 5-room house in good repair with some outbuildings and about two good lots suitable for garden and not too close in. Must be Cheap.  
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### HONOR MYNARD PASTOR

Rev. Paul Dick, pastor of the United Brethren church at Mynard, observed the passing of his thirty-second birthday anniversary Saturday, July 8. However, the occasion was celebrated Sunday when a group of the members of the Mynard community, numbering about thirty, gathered together in the church parlors for a covered dish luncheon, this being held immediately following the church services.

A 17-jewel Waltham wrist watch was presented the pastor as a birthday token from the people of the Mynard community. An enjoyable time was spent by all present.

## Jirousek-Dulskie Nuptials in Omaha

### Former Plattsmouth Young Lady Weds Michael J. Dulskie in a Church Ceremony Last Week

Word was received in Plattsmouth this week end of the recent marriage of Antonette Jirousek (better known in this city as Nettie Jirousek) to Mr. Michael J. Dulskie of Omaha. The wedding took place the fore part of last week at the immaculate Conception church on 24th street where the nuptial mass was celebrated at an early morning rite in the presence of a number of friends and relatives. Miss Jirousek gave her address as 221 South 24th street and the couple will make their home in Omaha where they are now residing following a honeymoon trip of several days.

The bride is very well known in this city where she has a host of friends and relatives. Born and raised in this community, she was the third child of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jirousek who resided on the old family homestead now occupied by the Frank Read family. For many years Mr. Jirousek conducted a grocery business on West Oak street prior to his removal to Omaha several years ago. For many years Miss Jirousek had been an employee in the offices of the Burlington railroad shops in this city.

The recent bride is a cousin of Miss Anna Jirousek and Mrs. Anton Hula of this city and Mrs. William Kelley of Manley.

### FUNERAL LARGELY ATTENDED

The funeral services for William H. Highfield, held on Tuesday afternoon at the Horton funeral home at 7th and Oak streets, was one of the largest held here in many months, the large number of friends in attendance attesting the deep feeling of sorrow that his untimely passing had brought to the community.

Rev. J. W. Taenzler, pastor of the First Christian church, conducted the services at the home and brought the message of consolation and hope to the bereaved family and friends.

During the services Frank A. Cloidt gave three vocal numbers, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," "Sometime We'll Understand" and "Jesus Savior Pilot Me." E. H. Westcott being the accompanist for the numbers.

The pall bearers were members of the force of the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power Co., of which Mr. Highfield had been a member for the past twenty-three years. They were Warren Scharfenberg, Bradley Fitzgerald, Elmer Elliott, Charles Ault, Ernest Elliott of this city and R. L. Bode of Humboldt.

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery in the west part of the city.

### LEAVE FOR THE WEST

From Monday's Daily—  
This morning Mr. and Mrs. William Schmidtman, Jr. and daughter, Janis, departed for a motor trip through the west and which will take them to the west coast and through Montana and on to the Pacific coast.

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## Popular Young People Reveal Their Marriage

### Miss Gladys Inman and Mr. Wilbur S. Hall Reveal Marriage at Lincoln, Neb., May 11th.

The announcement was made Monday by Miss Gladys Inman and Mr. Wilbur S. Hall of the fact of their marriage which took place on May 11 at Lincoln, Nebraska. The ceremony was performed at the home of Rev. Klinck, of the Lutheran church, and was kept a very close secret from the members of the two families and the closest friends until Sunday.

The young people made the announcement of their marriage on Sunday to their families and received the well wishes of the parents and the friends on the new happiness that has come to them.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Inman of Council Bluffs, and where she has grown to womanhood and has a very large circle of warm friends who will learn of her new happiness with pleasure. She has been operating the Hotel Plattsmouth Beauty shop for the past year become well known to a large circle of warm friends in the community by her fine personality and genial disposition.

Mr. Hall is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Hall, born and grew up in this city where he attended the local schools and graduated here in the class of 1928. He has since been largely engaged in the employ of the Burlington Refrigerator Express Co., shops in the offices of the storekeeper. He is a fine young man and has many friends who honored him for his many fine characteristics.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall are making their home for the present at least at the apartments in the Hotel Plattsmouth. The many friends will join in wishing them the greatest happiness in their wedded life.

### FUNERAL OF OSCAR GAPEN

The funeral services of Oscar Gapen, Jr., was held on Sunday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets and attended by a very large number of the old friends and neighbors who gathered to pay their tribute to the young man whose sudden and untimely death on Friday while at his work had come as such a shock to the community.

Dr. H. G. McClusky, of the First Presbyterian church had charge of the service and brought a message of comfort to the bereaved family and the sorrowing friends.

During the service Frank A. Cloidt gave a vocal solo of one of the old and loved songs of comforting faith, "In the Garden." Mrs. R. W. Knorr being the accompanist.

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery and with old friends being pall bearers, Rex Young, Herman Melsinger, Karl Grosshans, Ralph Wiles, Clifford Stoehr and Myron Wiles serving in that capacity.

### FUNERAL OF CHARLES HOMAN

Sunday evening funeral services were held at the Union cemetery for Charles Franklin Homan, an old resident of the vicinity of Weeping Water and Union.

Mr. Homan was born in Illinois, August 26, 1852, and spent his youth in that part of the west. He was engaged in the carpenter work and also as a merchant for a number of years.

In the past few years he has been in failing health and has been cared for at the Cass county farm near here and where he passed away on July 8th at 8:43 a. m.

### TO ATTEND CAMP

From Monday's Daily—  
This morning Robert Hayes, Joe Phillips, Charles Eugene Ault and Thierolf, local pitcher, departed for Omaha where they are to spend a few days at the baseball camp being conducted by the scouts for the St. Louis Cardinals. The players will be given workouts and their efforts watched by the scouts who are out on the annual search for new recruits for the Cards and their minor league teams.

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